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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

ADMIRAL'S FLAGSHIP IS STILL AFLOAT

Reports That It Struck a Rock
Are Unfounded.

NEWS FROM RUSSIAN CAPITAL

Talk of Ending War Is Out of Question
Declares Russian Newspaper—The
Czar's Government Must Weigh All
Matters of Far Eastern Situation.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 7.—Reports
that Vice Admiral Rojesvsky's flag-
ship, the battleship Kniaz Zouvaroff,
has struck a rock and sunk, are un-
founded.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 7.—Regarding
the peace talk abroad, M. Souvorin,
editor of the Novoe Vremya, in a
signed editorial in that paper today
passionately declares that the voice
of the nation should give an answer in
order that the world might understand
once for all Russia's position.

The emperor, he added, should con-
sult with representatives of the land
as his predecessors did before the
days of John the Terrible. While
papers abroad now say that peace
could be concluded without dishonor,
if peace were made they would de-
clare it disgraceful. What the peo-
ple want, he, M. Souvorin, possibly
cannot affirm, but the idea of ending
the war at this juncture is abhorrent
to him and he believes to the Rus-
sian people. If the inscriptions on
the banners of demonstrators and the
action of some of the zemstvos in fa-
vor of peace represented the voice
of the nation, it would mean the col-
lapse of all of Russia's aspirations
and farewell to her position in the
Far East and her dreams of an open
road to the sea and the creation of an
yellow peril in Asia, which would
threaten civilization and mean Rus-
sia's retirement into her Muscovite
shell and the disappearance from the
stage of this great power. The army,
M. Souvorin further says, hold the
honor and fate of Russia in its hands.
M. Souvorin then reviews sorrowfully
the record of bitter humiliations suf-
fered thus far and the chances for
the future. In concluding, he declares
the government must decide and
weigh well the consequences, but the
editor insists the people must be united
as "disunion, riots and revolution
mean the downfall of the fatherland."
The committee of ministers held a
second session today under the presi-
dency of M. Witte.

Count Tolstol's son, Leo, in an ar-
ticle upon Great Britain's constant de-
sire to embarrass Russia, declares
Great Britain is preparing her own
grave and hastening her own end, if
she forces war with Russia, "as the
countries of France, Germany and
Italy are bound to realize that their
interests lie with Russia."

Eighty Officers Accept Parole.

Port Arthur, Jan. 6.—With the third
Japanese army via Fusan, Jan. 5.—
Only 80 Russian officers have accept-
ed parole.

All the regular Russian troops have
marched out of Port Arthur, and will
leave for Port Dalny today. Japa-
nese troops entered the city yesterday
to keep order. Non-combatants are
allowed the option of remaining at
Port Arthur.

The Japanese navy is removing the
mines and the Japanese hulks at the
harbor mouth.

All the forts have been taken over
by the Japanese.

News from Tokio.

Tokio, Jan. 7.—When the time came
to forward the winter outfit for the
army in Manchuria and the commis-
ariat produced hundreds of thousands
of fur ear protectors for Japanese
and foreigners alike wondered where
these things have come from. No
one ever had heard of their being
made.

It seems that two years ago the
plague was raging along the Chinese
coast. The Japanese quarantine bo-
rd decided that strenuous efforts
must be made to keep the dread dis-
ease out of the country. They de-

termined to start a crusade. In all
the larger cities bounties were offered
for each rat brought in. The small
boys found this a great source of
revenue, and the competition at once
became very keen. For each rodent
the huntsman was given a small sum
and a lottery ticket. The money he
might squander, but the ticket he
saved and at the end of the month
there was a drawing with prizes vary-
ing from \$5 to \$50.

Rat catching became the regular
amusement of the boards of health
all over the country were kept busy
examining the daily bag. Each ani-
mal was duly registered and the place
in which it was caught was noted. It
was then examined and if any suspi-
cious germs were discovered, the
building from which the rat came was
immediately raided, all animals hunt-
ed down and the place was disinfected.
In this manner the plague was
kept out of Japan.

The small boys amused themselves
and made money, but no one ever
stopped to think of what would be-
come of the skins of these millions of
rats that had been worrying the board
of health. They had not been thrown
away. The military authorities had
used them to make ear protectors.

The navy department announces
that the Japanese naval force at Port
Arthur has sunk the following Rus-
sian war vessels in that harbor:

Torpedo boats—The Gaidamak and
Fusatonki; torpedo boat destroyers,
the Jettirny, Sissak and Boevorir.
The armored cruiser Bayan is ly-
ing on the south coast of the harbor
severely damaged and the gunboat
Bobrie is entirely burned as the re-
sult of the Japanese shelling.

The Russian battleships sunk at
Port Arthur have not as yet been of-
ficially inspected. The portions of
those destroyed by the Russians at the
last moment seem limited above wa-
ter. As there are no signs of in-
terior explosions, it is hoped that the
damage done to them will be repair-
able.

The docks are partially destroyed
and filled in, the gates also being dam-
aged. The great crane is intact and
serviceable.

IMPORTANT WITNESS MISSING.

Sensational Developments in Dodge-
Morse Case.

New York, Jan. 7.—W. R. Gelshen-
en, a son of Mrs. William B. Gelshen-
en, widow of a millionaire banker and
a number of servants employed in the
Gelshenen mansion, appeared before
the grand jury today in connection
with the investigation of the Dodge-
Morse case.

An attempt was made yesterday to
serve a subpoena upon Mrs. Gelshen-
en for her appearance before the jury
which was begun yesterday, and con-
tinuing today, was unsuccessful.

Assistant District Attorney Garvie,
who is assisting Mr. Rand in present-
ing the case to the grand jury, said
that his officers who have been watch-
ing the Gelshenen house, told him
that 15 or 20 trunks were taken from
the house today marked "S. S.
Deutschland," and addressed to "Nap-
les." The Deutschland will sail to-
morrow from Hoboken, N. J. Whether
Mrs. Gelshenen proceeded her bag-
gage to New Jersey and, therefore, is
out of the jurisdiction of the New
York officers, or is still in this city,
is not known at the district attorney's
office. Her son, entering the grand
jury room today said that his mother
was not at home.

Sues Girl for Slander.

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—William Her-
bert Sloan, member of a good family,
has caused the arrest of Miss Laura
V. Seabury, on a charge of writing let-
ters defamatory to his character. He
sues her for \$10,000 damages. The
girl was held in \$300 bail. The charge
is that she wrote to his fiancée, a
daughter of a wealthy Pittsburgh man,
declaring, among other things, that he
was in the habit of stealing milk.
Miss Seabury's father calls it black
mail.

No More Free Passes.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 7.—The
board of mayor and aldermen of this
city have passed a resolution prohib-
iting the acceptance of passes over the
street car lines here by any alderman
or any other officials. Passes have
been generally used by them for years.

THE HOUSE ADJOURNS UNTIL NEXT MONDAY

Little Being Accomplished By
Our Law Makers.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE IS USELESS

Chaplain of the Senate Prays for All
the Nations of the World—House
Committee on Inter-state Commerce
in Session—Washington News.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Upon conven-
ing, the house agreed that upon ad-
journment today it should be until
Monday.

On motion of Mr. Grosvenor (Ohio)
the committee of the whole house was
discharged from further consideration
of the bill to revise the laws relat-
ing to the regulation of the steam ves-
sels and the bill was referred back
to the committee on merchant marine
and fisheries.

The house then went into commit-
tee of the whole for the considera-
tion of the fortification appropriation
bill, Mr. Boutill (Ill.) in the chair.

The meeting of the house committee
on inter-state commerce today was
replete with sensational incidents. A
hearing was being given to persons in-
terested in the co-oper Quarles bill.
B. P. Bacon, of Milwaukee, chairman
of the inter-state commerce conven-
tion, was first heard.

In the Senate.

At the opening of the senate today
Dr. Edward Everett Hale, prayed for
the nations of the world "which," he
said, "thou art making smaller and
smaller every day by thine infinite
providence."

The senate committee on inter-state
commerce today agreed to take up all
all bill relations to railroad rates
and kindred subjects on Friday, Jan.
13. It is expected that hearings will
be had on some of the bills and that
others may be referred to sub-commit-
tees for investigation.

WANT SIX-YEAR TERM.

Senator Bailey Proposes a Measure in
Congress.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Senator Bailey
has submitted to the senate a proposed
amendment to the constitution fixing
the term of the president at six years
and making him ineligible for re-elec-
tion. The text of the amendment
follows:

"The executive power shall be vest-
ed in a president of the United States,
who shall hold his office during a
term of six years, and together with
the vice president, chosen for the
same term, be elected as provided in
articles 12 of the amendment to the
constitution.

"The president shall forever be in-
eligible to a re-election, nor shall any
person be eligible to an election to the
presidency who has served as
president under any succession pro-
vided for in the constitution or the
laws in pursuance thereof."

Republican Succeeds Sen. Cockrell.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 7.—Thomas
K. Niedringhaus, of St. Louis, chair-
man of the Republican state central
committee, was nominated for United
States senator to succeed Senator
Cockrell. The senatorial caucus was
held in open session in the hall of
representatives. The candidates were
Thomas K. Niedringhaus, R. O. Kerns,
Congressman Richard Bartholdt, Dis-
trict Attorney D. P. Dyer and Nathan
Frank, all of St. Louis; District At-
torney William Warner, of Kansas
City, and L. F. Parker, of Rolla, Mo.
The nomination, which was made on
the fifth ballot, insures the election
of Mr. Niedringhaus.

Fatal Street Car Collision.

New York, Jan. 7.—One man was
killed and half a dozen persons were
seriously injured in a rear end col-
lision, in which three were seriously
injured, in which three trains crashed to-
gether on the Ninth Avenue elevated
railroad structure at Horatio and
Greenwich streets, during the rush
hours early today. The dead man
was a railroad workman, who was re-
pairing a truck broken down train.
The injured were passengers.

ALACHUA HAPPENINGS.

Important Business Changes—Notes
of People Who Come and Go.

Alachua, Jan. 7.—Prof. J. G. Kellum
of Gainesville has been in the city this
week with friends.

F. B. Godfrey has returned from
Georgia and is again at the bank. Mr.
Walker, who filled the place during
Mr. Godfrey's absence, has gone to
Moultrie, Ga.

Miss E. V. Holloway of Levon is
visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Fur-
cher.

David Taylor leaves Sunday for High
Springs, where he has accepted a po-
sition with Mr. Futch.

The fixtures of the Bank of Alachua
have arrived and been put in place,
and we now have a handsome bank.

An important business change this
week was C. A. Williams selling his
dry goods business to Mrs. M. L. May-
nard and her two sons, John and Wil-
lie Jones. The business will be con-
ducted at the same stand under the
firm name of Jones, Maynard & Jones.

Herbert Williams is now with L. N.
Pearce in the capacity of bookkeeper.
Miss Ruby Hawkins has returned to
Tacoma, after spending the holidays
with her mother.

Miss Lucy Newsome, one of the
teachers in the Alachua High School,
spent Christmas with her parents at
Williston, returning to her duties here
Monday.

Miss Leila Cato of the High Springs
school spent the holidays with her
parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sealy and lit-
tle daughter spent several days at
Newberry this week.

Miss Claude Maynard has returned
from a pleasant trip to Hampton.

Mrs. J. W. Dell has returned from
Wildwood.

W. H. Sealey has purchased the in-
terests of Messrs. Cobb and May in the
racket store here. Mr. Sealey's suc-
cessor here has been next to wonderful,
and his friends predict for him contin-
ued success.

Mrs. E. Stringfellow and daughter
will return from Atlanta, Ga., Satur-
day.

The Matrimonial Market.

The lowering of the temperature has
again had the tendency to enliven the
matrimonial market, with the result
that His Honor Judge Mason is hap-
py. Licenses within the past two days
have been issued as follows: Jas. L.
Grantham and Rosa Bush, Chas. Ben-
man and Anna Frazier, Jesse Boyd and
Carrie Cauthern, Joseph Wright and
Eliza Gaines, P. Lester and Gussie
Collier.

Meeting of Woodmen.

A meeting of the Woodmen of the
World is called for Monday evening,
8 o'clock, in the hall of the P. O. S. of
A., over Chesnut's store, south side
square. A full attendance is desired.
J. F. Busch, C. C.

ACROBAT MEETS HIS DEATH.

Loses His Hold on Flying Ring and
Falls Headlong to Floor.

New York, Jan. 7.—Losing his hold
on a flying ring while he was perform-
ing acrobatic feats before several hun-
dred pupils in a Harlem public school,
Henry Talbot, 16 years old, fell head-
long to the floor. His neck was
broken and he was dead in a few min-
utes.

The exhibition was given for the
benefit of the children, some of whom
were pupils of other schools. Young
Talbot was considered one of the best
performers and his displays of skill
were being closely watched when his
hand slipped and he fell.

Although the distance was only a
feet, he struck on his head and lay
still.

The children were thrown into a
panic and were quickly dismissed from
the room.

Steamship Reaches Port Afire.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 7.—The
Clyde steamship Iroquois came into
port this morning with fire in her hold
which had been burning for five hours.
The fire was discovered last night
in the forward hold in the cargo and
spread rapidly. The principal dam-
age to the cargo by water. The ship
is bound for Jacksonville, and had 200
passengers aboard.

CONFUSION REIGNS AT JOINT SESSION

Two Men Wanted To Preside
And Row Follows.

SPEAKER REFUSED TO GIVE WAY

President of Senate Thought He Was
Proper Person to Yield the Gavel
and Dissolved the Joint Session of
the Legislature.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 7.—At a joint
this morning the legislature went into
joint session. Confusion at once re-
sulted when Lieutenant Governor
Haggott, the presiding officer of the
senate, took his position beside the
speaker to direct the joint session.
Mr. Dickson refused to give way.

"The clerk of the house will call!"—
said Speaker Dickson, with a thump
of his gavel.

"The clerk of the senate will call
the roll of the senate," said Lieut-
enant Governor Haggott.

Immediately the two clerks com-
menced to call the rolls amid great
confusion. But few names had been
called when Representative Frewen
arose:

"Mr. Frewen you are out of order,"
said the speaker.

"Mr. Frewen, you have the floor,"
repeated Lieutenant Governor Hag-
gott.

Bang! went the two gavels. The
two men stood side by side, behind
the speaker's desk, both refusing to
give way.

The confusion was so great that no
voice could be heard, and although
Mr. Frewen continued to address the
assembly, his voice was not distin-
guishable.

A motion to adjourn was made and
seconded. It came to a vote, the ayes
and noes bounding in about equal
volume.

"The ayes have it, and the joint
session is dissolved," shouted Lieut-
enant Governor Haggott.

"The noes have it, and the motion
is lost," shouted Speaker Dickson.

Whack! went the Lieutenant Gover-
nor's gavel.

"The assembly is dissolved!" he
shouted. "The assembly is not dis-
solved," called the speaker.

"I repeat that the session is ended
and the senators will leave the room,"
said the lieutenant governor, and out
filed the senators headed by the lieut-
enant governor and great confusion.

Many of them did not leave the
room, but stood behind the seats of
the representatives, watching the pro-
ceedings.

Speaker Dickson refused to recog-
nize the passing out of the senate and
declared that although the senators
had left the room the joint session
was still in progress.

YOUNG WOMAN ASSAULTED.

If Negro Brute Is Captured Louisville
May Have a Lynching.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 7.—Miss Alice
Brightwell, a protegee in the family of
John T. Bate, a bank teller, was as-
saulted by a negro Thursday in Mr.
Bate's residence, at Crescent Hill, a
high-class residence section of Louis-
ville.

The young woman was badly in-
jured.

A detail of police was at once sent
to the scene and four officers with
bloodhounds have taken up the trail
of the negro.

The Crescent Hill district is in a
state of high excitement and Captain
Reilly, of the Louisville police, has
given orders that if the negro is cap-
tured he be brought to the county
jail here instead of being taken to
the police station.

Reception in Honor of W. J. Bryan.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 7.—William
J. Bryan was tendered a luncheon
here at noon today by Hard rig Peres,
president of the Jackson Club. To-
night at the Gaylord hotel, a banquet
will be given by the Jackson club
in honor of Mr. Bryan's visit. Cov-
ers will be laid for 200 guests. Speech-
es will be made by Mr. Bryan, Sena-
tor Carmack, and others. Mr. Bry-
an's subject will be "Watchman of
the Night."